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Amendments to the Claims

1. (currently amended) A hot water dispensing apparatus for use with a beverage maker having a source of heated water, the hot water dispensing apparatus comprising:

a housing being selectively removably attachable to ~~the~~ a beverage maker;
at least one controllable valve carried on the housing; and
a water delivery line associated with the housing and attachable to a source of heated water provided in a beverage maker and the valve to dispense water from ~~the~~ a beverage maker through the valve.

2. (original) The hot water dispensing apparatus of claim 1, further comprising the at least one valve being movably attached to the housing.

3. (original) The hot water dispensing apparatus of claim 1, further comprising the housing having an outlet aperture, the at least one controllable valve being positioned in the outlet aperture for selectively rotatable adjustment.

4. (currently amended) The hot water dispensing apparatus of claim 1, further comprising means for attaching the housing to ~~the~~ a beverage maker.

5. (currently amended) A hot water dispensing apparatus for use with a beverage dispenser having a source of heated water, the hot water dispensing apparatus comprising:

a housing having means for receiving hot water from a beverage dispenser , the housing being selectively removably attachable to a beverage dispenser;

means for controllably dispensing hot water received from the beverage dispenser, the control means being selectively, adjustably carried on the housing for positioning the control means in one of various orientations relative to the housing; and

means for placing the receiving means and the control means in communication with one another.

6. (original) The hot water dispensing apparatus as in claim 5, the control means further comprising at least one controllable valve moveably attached to the housing.

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7. (currently amended) The hot water dispensing apparatus as in claim 6, further comprising the controllable valve being rotatably retained on the housing for adjustment in one of various configurations.

8. (currently amended) The hot water dispensing apparatus as in claim 5, the receiving means further comprising a tube having one end attachable to the ~~control~~ controllable dispensing means and a second end for attachment to the water source for delivering water from the water source to the ~~control~~ controllable dispensing means.

9. (currently amended) The hot water dispensing apparatus as in claim 8, the ~~control~~ controllable dispensing means further comprising at least one controllable valve attached to the housing, the tube being attached to the valve inside the housing.

10. (original) The hot water dispensing apparatus as in claim 8, further comprising the tube being provided in a length generally longer than necessary so as to allow the tube to be cut to a desired length.

11. (currently amended) The hot water dispensing apparatus as in claim 5, the housing further comprising a body, an inside wall, and a cover, the cover being removable from the body for attaching the inside wall and body to the a beverage dispenser.

12. (currently amended) The hot water dispensing apparatus as in claim 11, further comprising at least one of the body and the inside cover including an aperture therethrough for passing the tube to a beverage dispenser.

13. (original) The hot water dispensing apparatus as in claim 12, further comprising a grommet positionable in the aperture for protecting the tube passing through the aperture.

14. (currently amended) The hot water dispensing apparatus as in claim 5, further comprising a bracket for attachment to the housing and a portion of the a beverage dispenser proximate to the housing.

15. (currently amended) The hot water dispensing apparatus as in claim 5, further comprising fasteners for attaching the housing to the a beverage dispenser.

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16. (original) The hot water dispensing apparatus of claim 5, further comprising means for removably attaching the controllable dispensing means to the hot water dispensing apparatus.

17. (original) The hot water dispensing apparatus of claim 5, further comprising a means for rotatably attaching the controllably dispensing means to the hot water dispensing apparatus.

18. (original) A beverage dispensing system comprising:
a beverage dispenser having a source of heated water;
at least one aperture in the beverage dispenser;
a hot water dispensing apparatus removably attached to the beverage dispenser;
a housing of the hot water dispensing apparatus having at least one inlet aperture and at least one outlet aperture, the at least one inlet aperture being in communication with the aperture in the beverage dispenser and the at least one inlet aperture also being in communication with the at least one outlet aperture;
at least one valve attached to the outlet aperture; and
a tube extending from and communicating with the heated water source and the at least one valve, the tube extending through the inlet and outlet apertures and through the housing of the hot water dispensing apparatus.

19. (original) The beverage dispensing system of claim 18, further comprising the at least one valve being movably attached to the housing.

20. (original) The beverage dispensing system of claim 19, further the controllable valve being rotatably retained on the housing for adjustment in one of various configurations.

21. (currently amended) The beverage dispensing system of claim 18, further comprising means for attaching the housing to the beverage ~~maker~~ dispenser.

22. (original) The beverage dispensing system of claim 18, further comprising a grommet positionable in the aperture for protecting the tube passing through the aperture.

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23. (original) The beverage dispensing system of claim 18, further comprising a bracket for attachment to the housing and a portion of the beverage dispenser proximate to the housing.

24. (currently amended) A beverage dispensing system of claim 18, further comprising the water source being positioned in the beverage ~~maker~~ dispenser.

25. (currently amended) A kit for providing a hot water dispensing system on a beverage dispenser comprising:

a body for selective attachment to a beverage dispenser;

at least one controllable valve moveably attached to the body;

a tube having one end attachable to the controllable valve and a second end for attachment to a water source for delivering water from the water source to the controllable valve.

26. (original) A kit for providing a hot water dispensing system on a beverage dispenser beverage dispenser as in claim 25, further comprising the valve being rotatably retained on the body for adjustment in one of various configurations.

27. (original) A kit for providing a hot water dispensing system on a beverage dispenser as in claim 25, further comprising the tube being attached to the valve inside the body, the tube being provided in a length generally longer than necessary so as to allow the tube to be cut to a desired length.

28. (original) A kit for providing a hot water dispensing system on a beverage dispenser as in claim 25, the body further comprising an inside wall and a cover, the cover being removable from the body for attaching the inside wall and body to a brewer.

29. (original) A kit for providing a hot water dispensing system on a beverage dispenser as in claim 25, further comprising at least one of the body and the inside cover including an aperture therethrough for passing the tube to a dispenser.

30. (original) A kit for providing a hot water dispensing system on a beverage dispenser as in claim 29, further comprising a grommet positionable in the aperture for protecting the tube passing through the aperture.

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31. (currently amended) A kit for providing a hot water dispensing system on a beverage dispenser as in claim 25, further comprising a bracket for attachment to the body and a portion of the beverage dispenser proximate to the body.

32. (original) A kit for providing a hot water dispensing system on a beverage dispenser as in claim 25, further comprising fasteners for attaching the body to a brewer.

33. (currently amended) A method of using a hot water dispensing apparatus with a beverage dispenser having a source of heated water, the method of using the hot water dispensing apparatus comprising the steps of:

providing a removably attachable housing;

providing at least one controllable valve carried on the housing;

providing a water delivery line selectively attachable to the heated water source of the beverage maker and valve to dispense water from the beverage dispenser through the valve;

selectively attaching the housing to the beverage dispenser;

connecting the water delivery line to the heated water source;

extending the water delivery line through the housing; and

connecting the water delivery line to the valve.

34. (original) A method of using a hot water dispensing apparatus with a beverage dispenser having a source of heated water as in claim 33, the method further comprising the steps of:

removing the housing from a first side of the beverage dispenser;

disconnecting the water delivery line from the heated water source;

removing the water delivery line from the first side of the housing;

positioning the housing on a second side of the beverage dispenser;

attaching the housing to the second side of the beverage dispenser;

extending the water delivery line through the housing;

connecting the water delivery line to the heated water source; and

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moving the valve into an orientation for dispensing from the second side of the beverage dispenser.

35. (original) A method of using a hot water dispensing apparatus with a beverage dispenser having a source of heated water as in claim 34, the method further comprising the steps of:

covering an opening in the first side of the beverage dispenser after moving the housing to the second side of the beverage dispenser.

36. (original) method of using a hot water dispensing apparatus with a beverage dispenser having a source of heated water as in claim 34, the method further comprising the steps of:

retaining the valve on the housing;

rotating the valve into an orientation for dispensing from the second side of the beverage dispenser.

37. (original) A method of using a hot water dispensing apparatus with a beverage dispenser having a source of heated water as in claim 33, the method further comprising the steps of:

providing the water delivery line in a length generally longer than necessary;

connecting the water delivery line to at least one of the heated water source and the valve;

cutting the water delivery line to a shorter length to connect it to the other of the heated water source and the valve.

38. (original) A method of using a hot water dispensing apparatus with a beverage dispenser having a source of heated water as in claim 33, the method further comprising the steps of:

providing a hollow grommet;

positioning the grommet the aperture; and

extending the water delivery line through the grommet.

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39. (original) A method of using a hot water dispensing apparatus with a beverage dispenser having a source of heated water as in claim 33, the method further comprising the steps of:

providing a bracket for attachment to the housing and a portion of the beverage dispenser;

attaching the bracket the beverage dispenser proximate the housing; and
attaching the bracket to the housing.